

SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET

Agency 100

Office of Attorney General

Recommendation Summary

Dollars in Thousands

	FY 05 FTEs	General Fund State	Other Funds	Total Funds
2003-05 Expenditure Authority	1,085.5	8,511	175,633	184,144
Supplemental Changes				
Blanket Primary Litigation			953	953
Implementation of Initiative 297	1.8		252	252
Property Tax Legal Services	1.5		140	140
Violent Video Game Litigation Costs		352		352
DSHS Increased Litigation Costs	4.0		1,739	1,739
School Funding Litigation Costs	3.0		450	450
Increased Legal Services for Parks	1.0		138	138
Subtotal - Supplemental Changes	11.3	352	3,672	4,024
Total Proposed Budget	1,096.8	8,863	179,305	188,168
Difference	11.3	352	3,672	4,024
Percent Change	1.0%	4.1%	2.1%	2.2%

Supplemental Changes

Blanket Primary Litigation

The courts have ordered payment of attorney fees and other costs associated with the lawsuit regarding the blanket primary. The Ninth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals has awarded \$235,670, and the U.S. District Court is expected to award up to \$716,881. This item affects the Legal Services to State Agencies activity. (Legal Services Revolving Account)

Implementation of Initiative 297

The Cleanup Priority Act (Initiative 297) was approved by the voters in November 2004 and impacts waste disposal and cleanup efforts at the Hanford Nuclear Reservation. This act requires the Department of Ecology to order cessation of radioactive waste disposal in unlined trenches, implement additional permitting requirements, enhance public participation, and adopt additional cleanup standards for radioactive waste. Legal support is necessary to perform these actions and prepare for potential litigation. This item affects the Legal Services to State Agencies activity. (Legal Services Revolving Account)

Property Tax Legal Services

Preparations must begin immediately to respond to a major lawsuit challenging the state's property tax valuation procedures that is scheduled to go to trial in November 2005. This item affects the Legal Services to State Agencies activity. (Legal Services Revolving Account)

Violent Video Game Litigation Costs

The courts have ordered payment of attorney fees and other costs associated with litigation regarding the Violent Video Games statute. This item affects the Legal Services to State Agencies activity.

DSHS Increased Litigation Costs

Funding is needed for increased legal services for the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) including increased costs of support for complex, protracted program litigation. Expenses include the addition of attorneys and staff, costs for expert witnesses, document management services, and other litigation expenses. This item affects the Legal Services to State Agencies activity. (Legal Services Revolving Account)

School Funding Litigation Costs

A legal challenge to state funding for special education services has been brought by a group of 11 school districts. The lawsuit. Preparations need to begin immediately to respond to this lawsuit, which challenges current state funding levels on constitutional grounds. This item affects the Legal Services to State Agencies activity. (Legal Services Revolving Account)

Increased Legal Services for Parks

Funding is provided for increased legal services related to law enforcement issues, improvements to business practices, and legal advice for the State Parks and Recreation Commission. This item affects the Legal Services to State Agencies activity. (Legal Services Revolving Account)